

January 21, 2016

Mr. Terracciano opened the meeting at 7:08 PM with the reading of the Open Public Meeting Law.

Present: Mr. Terracciano, Mr. Crede, Mrs. Hamrah, Mr. Kranz, Mayor DiMura, George Allan, Mike Dolan, and Mr. Madden

Late: Mrs. Dinger

Absent: Mr. Poandl

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to accept the December 10, 2015 minutes. It was seconded by Mr. Kranz and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mr. Crede, Mr. Kranz, Mrs. Dinger, and Mrs. Hamrah. Nos: None. Abstained: None.

Old Business:

Review of Pool Booklet. There needs to be a change in the July date to July 2, 2016. Mr. Terracciano reported that the pictures of the changes in the pool were good. The Facebook page is updated. Pool applications go out on March 1st for in town residents.

New Pool Project:

The Meeting was done out of order to accommodate the special visitors to the meeting, Mike Dolan and George Allan.

Mike Dolan: He recommended that Payout #12 for Precision Piping be reduced to \$10,475.45. FT made the motion to accept and seconded Mr. Kranz.

Mike Dolan reported that Change Order #26 relating to phantom visits for \$9000.00 that was reduced by Jamali to \$2000.00 continue to be denied. George Allan agrees with denying this payment and suggested formally denying this change order in a letter. Mr. Terracciano agreed to writing the letter and Mr. Allan will draft the letter.

Change Order #28, which was about the restart of the project, was initially \$36,000.00 and Jamali reduced it to \$18,000.00.

Contractor should be submitting a change order before he completes the work. Contractor set up the forms, then there was bad weather, then they were off the job, the forms were not maintained. They were back on the job and the forms were replaced.

Mr. Allan said the Mr. Kranz set up a timeline of the pool project. The question is will this hold up on court? Do we side on the reduction or deny it? The court may side with the contractor.

Mr. Kranz said we have a "no show" contractor. With change orders we are over bond amount and the contractor has not been on site in a long time. He should have maintained his site.

Mr. Dolan reported that Jamali's desire to mediate is zero.

Mr. Kranz said the fact the Jamali reduces on bill from \$9000.00 to \$2000.00 and another from \$36,000.00 to \$18,000.00 is very telling.

Mr. Dolan said there is a bill for \$350.00 for a survey. He recommended paying this one.

George Allan will draft a letter including all items that will be denied.

It was noted that the Pool will pay #5, #9, and #11 on Change Order Summary totaling \$2,850.00

George Allan said that the contractor is allowed to have 10% profit and 10% overhead. His previous bills will need to be looked over to examine these amounts on previous bills. The pool will allow for %.

Change Order for the bases of 2 lights for \$2000.00 was recommended to be paid. George Allan recommended approving this bill.

Change Order #30 was moved by Mr. Terracciano and seconded by Mrs. Hamrah, all were in agreement.

George Allan will include in his letter Change Order #30.

Change Order #32 for cubic feet of stone for \$2904.00 will be formally denied.

Change Order #33 for the reinforcing steel in the floor of the pool filter house for \$2335.30 was recommended for approval.

Motion made by Mr. Terracciano and seconded by Mr. Kranz.

It was reported the Jamali wants to get started again Tuesday right after the storm (1-23-2016).

George Allan wants to put in a letter that Jamali does not proceed with an extra work without approval. There may be some upcoming changes in the pool filter house anticipated.

Mr. Dolan said the Jamali needs to get the building completed so Precision Plumbing can get the plumbing completed.

George Allan said that the drainage needs to be tied into the sewer and if it cannot then an area needs to be created to filter the water.

Mike Dolan and George Allan leave the meeting.

Financials:

Mr. Terracciano and Mayor DiMura had a conversation about the bond. Mr. Terracciano wanted the bond to be a 15 year bond but in November the Pool Commission found out that it was a 10 year bond. The 10 year payment schedule is impossible for the pool to payoff. Last year there was an agreement limiting how much the pool is allowed to raise the membership.

Mayor DiMura mentioned that the pool bond was bundled with other town bonds. The Mayor will check with the town auditor to see if the pool can amortize the bond over 15 years, paying the town on a 15 year schedule while the town pays the bond off according to the 10 year schedule. Mr. Kranz asked if the Pool can even make it a 20 year payment to the town instead of

a 15 year payment. Mayor DiMura said that the Pool has always paid off its debts early in the past and they have been self sufficient. He said as long as it can be done legally he does not see a problem with it. Mr. Terracciano mentioned that the second pool provides a greater opportunity to raise revenue in the future. The Mayor will talk to the auditor about other options and the 15 or 20 year amortization payment to the town. Mr. Terracciano wants to do the right thing and come up with a plan. Mr. Kranz wants the pool to be viable and operate in the black. The Mayor will run the information he gathers by the Pool Commission before he presents it to the council.

Mr. Terracciano asked why the interest from the Pool account was being removed and it was never returned.

In the November or December meeting the Pool Commission wanted all the money except for \$3001.00 to be removed from the snack bar account and moved to the swimming pool checking account. This has not been done yet.

Mrs. Hamrah made a motion to accept the financials. It was seconded Mrs. Dinger and carried by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Mr. Terracciano, Mrs. Dinger, Mr. Kranz, Mrs. Hamrah, Mr. Crede. Nos: None. Abstained: None

New Business:

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to hire Mr. Jim Grimm as the pool manager. Mr. Crede seconded it and all were in favor.

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to hire Katie Bird as the pool secretary. Mr. Crede seconded it and all were in favor.

Mr. Crede made a motion to nominate Mr. Terracciano for Chairman. It was seconded by Mr. Kranz.

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to nominate Mr. Kranz for Vice Chairman and Technology. It was seconded by Mr. Crede.

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to nominate Mrs. Dinger for Financial. It was seconded by Mrs. Hamrah.

Staff Liaison Helene DiDonato-Gathier she will be appointed at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to nominate Mrs. Hamrah for Publicity. It was seconded by Mr. Kranz.

Mr. Terracciano made a motion to nominate Mr. Crede for Building and Grounds. It was seconded by Mr. Kranz.

Mr. Kranz would like to have movie night at the pool.
We have 395 out of town families.

Councilman Madden asked some questions about the Pool Commission since this is his first time on this committee. He asked questions about water bills in the end of the year report. He asked about the unemployment insurance paid out.

He said he would be pleased to bring pool concerns to the Council.

Mr. Terracciano offered to give him a tour of the pool facilities.

Councilman Madden asked when they anticipated the completion of the pool. Mr. Terracciano said he wanted it completed one month before the pool opens. Mr. Terracciano said that all permits are now in. The DEP permit came in December, 29, 2015. The town issued the building permit this week. Mr. Kranz said the legal work is completed to get the group back on site. Councilman Madden asked about membership being down. Mr. Terracciano said membership was down 60 families last year.

Vandalism along the concrete wall will be cleaned up by the DPW. A DPW employee covered over the graffiti with paint until the graffiti can be removed.

Mr. Kranz asked if there was money to fix the walkway leading to the pool that floods. The walkway and fence are borough property.

Councilman Madden asked to see the bylaws. He was advised that he could find a copy of them on the internet: Chapter 68 of the town code.

Mr. Terracciano read Mr. Grimm's email dated 1-21-2016.

1. If voted on, I agree to be the Middlesex Pool manager for the 2016 year.
2. If hired, I will be contacting the staff via e-mail this month to see who intends to return, so I can start to hire staff.
3. The pool can open on June 19??? Chris can be there for lessons.
4. My CPO certification runs out this spring, without it, the pool cannot operate. The cost for the course is approximately \$300.00 and is given over an entire weekend. I will choose a date to take the course. Dan and Chris both took it in years past, but there is no need for all of us to hold the certifications.
5. Pamphlet: Please make sure it is reviewed and ok. If ok, have Katie send it to me as well as the numbers of pamphlets to print so I can get them done at the HS again.

Respectfully,
Jim Grimm

Mr. Terracciano said that the pool booklet needs to be sent to Mr. Grimm so that Piscataway HS can print the books. The pool secretary will let Mr. Grimm know how many books to order.

Mr. Crede made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 pm. It was seconded by Mr. Terracciano and all were in favor. Next meeting will be held at the Middlesex Public Library at 7:00 pm on February 11, 2015